*Siltingup of the Thalavadi-Edathua section of the Pamba river.*

9. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Thalavady-Edathua section of the Pamba river is being silted up and that therefore it cannot be used for agricultural and navigation purposes;

(*b*) whether the Irrigation Department submitted a scheme known as Chakulam cutting to meet the above difficulty; and

(*c*) whether the scheme has been approved; if not why?

**Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar**: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*b*).

*Deepening of the Ayroor Valiathodu.*

10. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the agriculturists of Ayroor have requested the Government to widen and deepen the Ayroor Valiathodu so that it may be used for Agricultural purposes even before the inception of the Irrigation Department?

**Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar**: Yes.

*Revision of the Education Code.*

11. **Mr. A. Easwara Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether an officer was appointed for revision of Education Code; and

(*b*) whether the compilation of the Code is over; and if not why?

**Mr. A. Gopala Menon**: (*a*) No. A temporary staff consisting of a Superintendent, a clerk and a typist was appointed.

(*b*) No. Due to the prospective changes in the educational system consequent on the inauguration of the Travancore University.

*Kottapuram to Pulipparamukku Alu cart track.*

12. **Mr. A. Easwara Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Kottapuram to Pulipparamukku Alu cart track in Kottarakara taluk is under P. W. D. maintenance;

(*b*) whether this track joins any public road:

(*c*) whether there is a pathway, joining this cart track to Kottarakara railway station to the Palace road;

(*d*) what is the distance of this pathway: and

(*e*) whether it is maintained by the P. W. D.?

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**Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar:** (*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Yes.
(*c*) Yes.
(*d*) 1,650 Rft.
(*e*) No.

*Tank in Survey No. 902 A and C.*

13. **Mrs. Abernam Gnanasikamony:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are in receipt of a petition from G. Simha Raj and others of Neendakara pakuthi for the improvement of the tank No. 902 A and C;

(*b*) whether any action has been taken;

(*c*) whether the tank is encroached;

(*d*) if so how many cents are encroached; and

(*e*) whether any action is taken on that?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** (*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Action is being taken.
(*c*) & (*d*) The information will be available only after survey.
(*e*) Action, if necessary, will be taken when the survey is completed.

*State Transport.*

14. **Mrs. Abernam Gnanasikamony:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a rule in the Travancore State Transport prohibiting smoking in the buses;

(*b*) if so, is it strictly enforced; and

(*c*) if not, is there no necessity for such prohibition?

**Khan Bahadur G. Saiyid Abdul Karim Sahib Suhrawardy:** (*a*) No.
(*b*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).
(*e*) It has not so far been found to be necessary.

*Area under wet and dry cultivation.*

15. **Mrs. Abernam Gnanasikamony:** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the area under wet and dry cultivation in each taluk in the State; and

(*b*) the revenue collected in each taluk under the heads?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** (*a*) and (*b*). The *statement required is laid on the table.

* *Vide* Appendix III, page 505.

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